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1. The Kollegium of the East German Ministry of Foreign Affairs meets approx-
imately once per week, usually on Wednesdays, in the office of Dr. Lothar
Bolz, Minister of Foreign Affairs, in the office building of the Ministry,
Berlin-Mitte (Soviet Sector), Luisenstrasse 56.
2. The following individuals are members of the Kollegium and attend its regular
meetings:
 - a. Peter Florin¹, Chief, International Cooperation Department, SED Central
Committee
 - b. Dr. Lothar Bolz², Minister of Foreign Affairs
 - c. Georg Handke³, State Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
 - d. Fritz Grosse⁴, Chief, Main Department I - Soviet Union and Peoples'
Democracies
 - e. Richard Gyptner, Chief, Main Department II - Capitalist Countries
 - f. Wilhelm Meissner, Chief, Main Department III - Germany
 - g. Kurt Prenzel, Chief, Main Department IV - Consular Matters
 - h. Wolfgang Kiesewetter, Acting Chief, Main Department V - Press and
Information
 - i. Martin Bierbach, SED Party Secretary of the Ministry
 - j. Emil Rathmann, Chief, Personnel Department. Rathmann is only called
upon to attend when there are personnel matters on the agenda.

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1. [Redacted] is the most important in the Kollegium. He brings the
Central Committee's line on all matters.

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2. [redacted] Comment: [redacted] Referent, Malt (fnu), is also occasionally [redacted] to [redacted] the [redacted] if he is needed.

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3. [redacted] Comment: Handke's personal Referent, Joachim Naumann, also attends [redacted] if he is needed.

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4. [redacted] Comment: Grosse, who is suffering from a kidney ailment and was absent from his post frequently during the three or four months previous to September 1954, is often represented at Kollegium meetings by Aenne Kundermann, who acts as Grosse's deputy in Main Department I.

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